

One Hundred First Legislature - First Session - 2009 Introducer's Statement of Intent LB 557

Chairperson: Steve Lathrop
Committee: Business and Labor
Date of Hearing: March 9, 2009

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

LB 557 permits a labor organization and employer to enter into an agreement requiring represented employees of the public sector, who are not paying membership dues to the labor organization, to pay a fair share contribution.

This legislation:

- *does not repeal Nebraska's "right to work" laws;
- *does not force an employee to join a union nor does it prevent a worker from resigning membership in a union;
- *does not allow any worker to be denied employment or discharged from a job based on union membership;
- *does not apply to unorganized employers; and
- * does apply to labor organizations recognized as certified exclusive collective bargaining representatives.

The fair share representation contribution cannot exceed the amount regularly paid for labor organization membership.

Principal Introducer:	
	Senator Danielle Nantkes